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In re Application of

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For: WASHING MACHINE HAVING TRANSIENT VIBRATION SENSOR
ASSEMBLY

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated October 16, 2006, wherein restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-18), drawn to a washing machine, with traverse, for prosecution in the above-identified application.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of each of the designated inventions is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of each of the designated inventions would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining designated inventions. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it states that "if the

search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions." It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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